

SENATE RESOLUTION 223

By Tracy

A RESOLUTION to recognize Jim Penner on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of public service; and

WHEREAS, Jim Penner is one such estimable person who has served with distinction as a servant of the City of Murfreesboro for thirty years; and

WHEREAS, currently rendering sterling service as the City Recorder for the City of Murfreesboro, Mr. Penner will be taking a much deserved retirement on January 31, 2008; and

WHEREAS, first embarking on a career of service to the City in 1977, when he was hired as an accountant, Jim Penner was first appointed as the assistant City Recorder in 1980 and then as the City Recorder in 1993; throughout his career, he has upheld the finest tenets of public service and dedication to one's profession; and

WHEREAS, a native of Louisville, Kentucky, Mr. Penner attended and graduated from Middle Tennessee State University before committing himself in service to his country as a proud member of the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, during his term of service, Mr. Penner was stationed at Seward Air Force Base in Smyrna; upon his discharge, he remained in Rutherford County and embarked on what was to become a long and storied career with the City of Murfreesboro; and

WHEREAS, he is perhaps most appreciative of the love and support he shares with his wife, Jackie; their three children, Tommy, Jimmy, and Jenny; and his two grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Jim Penner exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Mr. Penner has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues and the public alike; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we extend to Jim Penner our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors, as we salute his exemplary career in public service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.